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SUBJ: JAPANESE DOWN-RANGE TRACKING STATION

REF: A. STATE 248980; B. STATE 248979; C. KRATZER-BASTEDO
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SUMMARY: SCICOUNS PRESENTED FONOFF DRAFT OF NOTE CONTAINED REFTELB,
AS MODIFIED REF C. FONOFF AGREED TO US REQUEST TO POSTPONE
PUBLICITY AS LONG AS POSSIBLE. END SUMMARY.

1. JAPANESE FONOFF (YOSHITOMO TANAKA, DIRECTOR, SCIENCE DIV, UN
BUREAU) WAS INFORMED OF USG READINESS TO EXCHANGE NOTES PRO-
VIDING FOR TEMPORARY JAPANESE USE OF KWAJALEIN FOR TRACKING
STATION. PER REF C, TEXT OF DRAFT NOTE PROVIDED JAPANESE MODIFIED
SLIGHTLY, AS FOLLOWS:

A) ADD AT END OF FIRST SENTENCE "BOTH OF WHICH ARE EXPERIMENTAL
SPACE LAUNCHINGS TO BE UNDERTAKEN EXCLUSIVELY FOR PEACEFUL
PURPOSES."

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B) MODIFY ITEM FOUR OF PARA TWO TO READ "THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL OF OTHER THAN UNITED STATES NATIONALITY PRESENT AT KWAJALEIN NORMALLY WOULD BE LIMITED TO TWO NASDA RANGE OFFICERS WHO WOULD BE PRESENT ONLY DURING SPECIFIED PERIODS OF TIME DURING THE LAUNCH OF A VEHICLE; AT NO TIME SHOULD THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL OF OTHER THAN UNITED STATES NATIONALITY EXCEED SIX." THIS FORMULATION, WHICH IN FACT MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THAT OF REFTEL B, ACCOMPLISHES SAME RESULT WITHOUT UNNECESSARY SINGLING OUT OF JAPANESE AND THUS IS GREATLY PREFERABLE TO EMBASSY.

2. PER REFTEL A, JAPANESE INFORMED THAT QUESTION OF FREQUENCIES REMAINS TO BE RESOLVED.

3. RE POSSIBLE DATE FOR EXCHANGE OF NOTES, TANAKA INDICATED GOJ EXPECTED TO MOVE AS QUICKLY AS THEIR SYSTEM ALLOWS, BUT IN ALL PROBABILITY EXCHANGE WILL NOT TAKE PLACE BEFORE JAN 7 RESUMPTION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITY FOLLOWING NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

4. PER REFTEL A, SCICOUNS EXPLAINED DESIRABILITY OF AVOIDING OR, AT MINIMUM, DEFERRING PUBLICITY AS LONG AS POSSIBLE. TANAKA REPLIED THAT THERE WAS "PROBABLY" NO NEED FOR PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON JAPANESE SIDE, AND PROVIDED ASSURANCE THAT, IN ANY CASE, GOJ WOULD CONSULT WITH EMBASSY PRIOR TO GIVING AGREEMENT ANY PUBLICITY.

5. EMBASSY WILL ADVISE DEPT AND HICOMTERPACIS SAIPAN PROMPTLY WHEN GOJ RESPONSE RECEIVED.
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